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Reproduction of a letter written by DOWNIE to Erich GOTTSCHALK, with a postscript by Margot GOTTSCHALK.

Bautzen/Sa. Ziegelstrasse. 25. 11. 57.

Herr Cottschalk.

Mr J Downie

(Postcript inserted by Margot GOTTSCHALK.)

The braucht keine Angst mehr zu haben das ich an Euch schreibe oder fragen werde. Ich lebe mit dem Jimmie hier und ihr dort. Wenn Du kommen willst, kannst Du kommen. Wenn nicht wissen wir bescheid. Aber Ihr habt für fremde Leute mehr übrig als für uns. So denn also Auf-wiedersehen für immer

Margot.

(DOWNIE continues his letter - page 3)

Margrit has wrote goodby for ever I hope you are dom happy about it But for me I wish that all the ill luck that is goeing comes your family way

You don't know me right ore you would not treet Magge the way you are doeing

for me the dom lot of you are egal

But I am very sorry for Margrit that her own brother will not have ony thing more to do with her

If you are angry because I write like this I am not worryed but think of your sister

I was hopeing to be your friend always but you better believe I rather have a swine for a friend than to have a freind who would turn against his own sister

I dom well hope you can come between now and xmas we have a lot to talk over Herr Cottschalk

T will look for an answer schnell

J Downie.

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Annexure II to BRIP/0/11/441 dated 3 Nov 57.

(DOWNIE's letter continued.)

hopeing you will see this in a different light now I have wrote like this remember we want to be your friend IT IS UP TO YOU.

I will ask you to send the letters you have received about us and I will take them to the Police if I dont get them then you are all dom liare.

Margrit sitting hear crying her eyes out if I could get my hands on you just now believe me you would be sorry. Tonight we have been by Herr und he will write to you for the letters if you do not send these letters then he will goe to the Partei which Frau is in and they will get the truth. I am sorry about this but I will have know one ill treating margrit me I can take any thing they like to say about me thank god for that and I sea and know Metter what is said we can still hold our heads high for we know it is all leig.

(NOTE: This is the end of the letter.)

TRANSLATION of the postscript written by Margot GOTTSCHALK.

You need not have any fear any longer that I will/or ask you (anything) again. I live here with Jimmie and you (live) there. If you want to come (to Bautzen) you can come. If not, then we will know where we stand (idiomatic translation). But you have more time over for atrangers than for us. Well then,

Goodbye for always,

Margot.

/JBB.

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